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**Remarks**

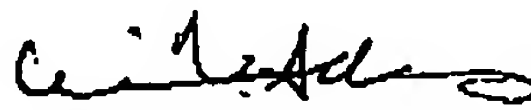
Claims 1-7 were pending in this Application. Claims 8-16 were previously Canceled by the Preliminary Amendment Filed on 8 March 2004. Claims 1-6 have been Rejected; Claim 7 has been Objected to. The Amendment Filed on 01/19/2005 Cancels Claims 1-6, Amends Claim 7 to rewrite it in Independent format incorporating the limitations of former base Claim 1 and intervening Claims 2, 3, and 4, and Adds Dependent Claims 17-23 to Depend from Rewritten Claim 7.

Applicant's Attorney erroneously listed the status as Claims 17-23 as "(added)" when the required term is "(New)." Applicant's Attorney apologizes for the error. This Response to Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment (37 CFR 1.121) corrects the erroneous status identifier.

The Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the local telephone number given below if, after considering this amendment, the Examiner is of the opinion that the Amendments made by Applicant have not resolved all outstanding issues in this case and brought the case into Condition for Allowance.

Respectfully submitted,

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DATE

  
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